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## **Poultry and Products**

# Czech Republic Confirms Seventh Case of H5 Avian Influenza

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#### **Report Highlights:**

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Veterinary measures taken by the SVA early this week continue, including:

Within 3 kilometers of where the birds were found:

- Control of traffic in the 3-kilometer radius.
- Live poultry or poultry meat may leave the area.
- All poultry and birds in captivity must be housed.
- Authorities will maintain increased animal health inspections and continuous communication with farmers.

#### Within 10 kilometers:

- Bird hunting is prohibited.
- Movement of live poultry and poultry products will be kept under increased surveillance.

Two weeks ago the Czech Ministry of Agriculture sent out a flyer to all households with information on avian influenza, what it is, what to do and not to do, and how to protect oneself. The State Veterinary Administration set up a special web page with AI information.

For more information about the avian influenza findings in the Czech Republic, see GAINS reports EZ6002, EZ6003 and EZ6004.